IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.5235 OF 2005

Rajesh Bhatia ..Applicant

Vs.

State of Maharashtra & Anrs...Respondents

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Mr.Ramesh C.Jain Advocate for Applicant
Mr.V.B.Konde-Deshmukh, A.P.P. for the State

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CORAM: SMT.V.K.TAHILRAMANI,J.
DATE : SEPT. 1,2005

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1. Heard the learned advocate for the applicant and the learned A.P.P. for the State.

2. The applicant is seeking quashing of complaint i.e. C.C. No.104/S/2003, pending before the Metropolitan Magistrate, 9th Court, Bandra, Mumbai. In the said case, process has been issued against the applicant under Section 138 r.w. 141 of Negotiable Instruments Act. The learned advocate for the applicant submitted that the learned Magistrate committed an error in issuing process

and the said process deserves to be set aside. It is further submitted that if the process issued against the applicant is set aside, the proceedings in respect of the applicant, would come to an end.

3. For the reasons recorded in my order dated 13th June, 2005 in W.P.No. 213 of 2005 and dated 21st June, 2005 in Cri.Application No.550 of 2005, I am of the opinion that the applicant has an efficacious remedy of preferring revision against the order of Magistrate issuing process. Hence, in my view, it would be appropriate that the applicant prefers a revision before the concerned Sessions Court against the order of the Magistrate issuing process.

4. Liberty is granted to the applicant to prefer the necessary revision before the concerned Sessions Court. The learned advocate for the applicant makes a statement that the necessary revision will be preferred within four weeks from today. I am informed that the matter is kept before the trial Court on 12.9.2005. In view of the above statement, the trial Court shall not

proceed with the trial on 12.9.2005 and for a period of 15 days thereafter.

5. On the necessary revision being preferred by the applicant before the concerned Sessions Court, the concerned Sessions Court shall dispose of the matter on merits after hearing the necessary parties.

6. Criminal Application is disposed of.

7. Authenticated copy be issued to the parties.

[V.K.TAHILRAMANI,J.]